GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
POWER
LOK SABHA

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AGREEMENT ON POWER SHARING
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Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) the power generation capacity of Anandpur Sahib Hydel Power Project;

(b) the States which are supposed to get share from the unallocated power of that project;

(c) whether Rajasthan is one such State;

(d) if so, the reasons for not giving any share to Rajasthan from that project; and

(e) the steps taken to allocate power to Rajasthan from the project?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF POWER(SHRI P.M. SAYEED)

(a) : The installed capacity of Anandpur Sahib Hydel Project commissioned by the Government of Punjab is 134 MW (4x33.5 MW).

(b) to (e) : The Government of Rajasthan has lodged a claim for share of power from hydel projects including Anandpur Sahib Hydel Project executed/being executed by the Government of Punjab. An agreement had been signed between the Chief Ministers of Rajasthan and Haryana and Governor of Punjab and Government of India on 10.05.1984 regarding supply of cooling water for Ropar Thermal Power Station and commissioning of Anandpur Sahib Hydel Project. It was agreed that the claims of Haryana & Rajasthan for sharing of power in Anandpur Sahib Hydel Project and 4 other projects, would be referred by Government of India to the Hon`ble Supreme Court for its opinion as to whether the States of Rajasthan & Haryana are entitled to a share in the power generated from these projects and if they are, then what would be the share of each State.

In order to resolve the issue amicably, a number of formal and informal discussions have taken place since 1984. So far, no consensus has emerged due to divergent views. Further, consequent upon the enactment of the Punjab Termination of Agreements Act, 2004 by the Government of Punjab terminating all its agreements on sharing of water with the other States, Union Government has referred the matter to the Hon`ble Supreme Court for seeking its advice.